MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

JUNE 30, 2008

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MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Officials

| <u>Name</u> | Term <u>Expires</u> | | | | | | |
|--|--|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Board of Education | | | | | | |
| | (Before September 2007 Election) | | | | | | |
| Jan Lundahl | President | 2009 | | | | | |
| Debbie Bremer Randy Smith Pat Evans Michiko Fogle | Board Member Board Member Board Member Board Member | 2007 2007 2008 2008 | | | | | |
| Board of Education | | | | | | | |
| | (After September 2007 Election) | | | | | | |
| Jan Lundahl | President | 2009 | | | | | |
| Pat Evans Michiko Fogle Randy Smith Brad Funk | Board Member Board Member Board Member Board Member | 2008 2008 2010 2010 | | | | | |
| | School Officials | | | | | | |
| Robert Newsum | Superintendent | Indefinite | | | | | |
| Linda Lovett | District Secretary/Treasurer and Business Manager | Indefinite | | | | | |

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Education of Mormon Trail Community School District:

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mormon Trail Community School District, Humeston, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of District officials. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mormon Trail Community School District at June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, I have also issued my report dated September 29, 2008 on my consideration of Mormon Trail Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of my testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in assessing the results of my audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 8 and 30 through 31 are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise Mormon Trail Community School District's basic financial statements. I previously audited, in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the three years ended June 30, 2007 (which are not presented herein) and expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 4, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in my audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Mormon Trail Community School District provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. I encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow.

2008 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- General Fund revenues increased from \$2,721,064 in fiscal 2007 to \$2,808,658 in fiscal 2008, while General Fund expenditures decreased from \$2,962,354 in fiscal 2007 to \$2,858,253 in fiscal 2008. The District's General Fund balance decreased from \$393,411 in fiscal 2007 to \$343,816 in fiscal 2008, a 13% decrease.
- General Fund expenditures decreased because of emphasis by management to reduce spending. Salaries and benefits decreased because of staff reduction. Technology equipment purchases were shifted from the General Fund to PPEL Fund. Even with emphasis on reduced spending and additional revenue, the District funded their operation from carryover fund balance.
- A decrease in interest rates and investable balance during the past year resulted in interest earnings in the General Fund decreasing from \$33,792 in fiscal 2007 to \$20,057 in fiscal 2008.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the District's activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Assets and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of Mormon Trail Community School District as a whole and present an overall view of the District's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Mormon Trail Community School District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which Mormon Trail Community School District acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of the District.

Notes to financial statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year.

Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the non-major governmental Funds.

REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Assets includes all of the District's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide financial statements report the District's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets the difference between the District's assets and liabilities – are one way to measure the District's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net assets are an indicator of whether financial position is improving or deteriorating. To assess the District's overall health, additional non-financial factors, such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities, need to be considered.

In the government-wide financial statements, the District's activities are divided into two categories:

- Governmental activities: Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation and administration. Property tax and state aid finance most of these activities.
- Business type activities: The District charges fees to help cover the costs of certain services it provides. The District's school nutrition program is included here.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs.

Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants. The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes, such as accounting for student activity funds, or to show that it is properly using certain revenues, such as federal grants.

The District has two kinds of funds:

1) Governmental funds: Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs.

The District's governmental funds include the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Fund.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a balance sheet and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances.

2) Proprietary funds: Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the government-wide financial statements. The District's Enterprise Funds, one type of proprietary fund, are the same as its business type activities, but provides more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The District currently has one Enterprise Fund, the School Nutrition Fund

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of net assets, a statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets and a statement of cash flows.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements follow the fund financial statements.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Figure A-1 below provides a summary of the District's net assets at June 30, 2008 compared to June 30, 2007.

Figure A-1
Condensed Statement of Net Assets
(Expressed in Thousands)

| | (Expressed in Thousands) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|----------|-------|-------|----|---------------|------|------|----|----------|----|-------|-----------|
| | | Gover | 'nm | ental | | Business Type | | | | Total | | | Total |
| | | Act | iviti | es | | Activities | | | | District | | ict | Change |
| | | June 30, | | | | Ju | ne 3 | 80, | | June 30, | | | June 30, |
| | | 2008 | | 2007 | | 2008 | | 2007 | | 2008 | | 2007 | 2007-2008 |
| Current and other assets | \$ | 2,557 | \$ | 2,234 | \$ | 41 | \$ | 55 | \$ | 2,598 | \$ | 2,289 | 13.50% |
| Capital assets | \$ | 1,990 | | 2,074 | | 31 | | 36 | | 2,021 | | 2,110 | -4.20% |
| Total assets | | 4,547 | | 4,308 | | 72 | | 91 | | 4,619 | | 4,399 | 5.00% |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Long-term liabilities | \$ | 669 | | 775 | | - | | - | | 669 | | 775 | -13.70% |
| Other liabilities | \$ | 1,531 | | 1,279 | | 1 | | 1 | | 1,532 | | 1,280 | 19.70% |
| Total liabilities | | 2,200 | | 2,054 | | 1 | | 1 | | 2,201 | | 2,055 | 7.10% |
| Net assets: Invested in capital assets, net of | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| related debt | \$ | 1,209 | | 1,177 | | 31 | | 36 | | 1,240 | | 1,213 | 2.20% |
| Restricted | \$ | 845 | | 648 | | - | | - | | 845 | | 648 | 30.40% |
| Unrestricted | \$ | 293 | | 429 | | 40 | | 54 | | 333 | | 483 | -31.10% |
| Total net assets | | 2,347 | | 2,254 | | 71 | | 90 | | 2,418 | | 2,344 | 3.20% |

The District's combined net assets increased by nearly 3% or approximately \$74,000, over the prior year. The largest portion of the District's net assets is the invested in capital assets (e.g., land, infrastructure, buildings and equipment), less the related debt. The debt related to the investment in capital assets is liquidated with sources other than capital assets.

Restricted net assets represent resources subject to external restrictions, constitutional provisions or enabling legislation on how they can be used. The District's restricted net assets increased approximately \$197,000 over the prior year in PPEL Fund. The increase was primarily a result of increased revenue in the Local Option Sales Tax and reduced spending.

Unrestricted net assets – the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements - decreased approximately \$136,000. This reduction in unrestricted net assets was a result of the District using carryover fund balances to meet its financial obligations during the year.

Figure A-2 shows the change in net assets for the year ended June 30, 2008 compared to the year ended June 30, 2007.

Figure A-2
Changes in Net Assets
(Expressed in Thousands)

| | Gov | ernmenta | al E | Business Typ | oe | Total | | Total |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----------|-------|--------------|------|---------|--------|-----------|
| | Α | ctivities | | Activities | | Distric | t | Change |
| | | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2007-2008 |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | |
| Program revenues: | | | | | | | | |
| Charges for service | \$ | 158 | 176 | 44 | 44 | 202 | 220 | -20.50% |
| Operating grants, | | | | | | | | |
| contributions and | | | | | | | | |
| restricted interest | | 516 | 346 | 81 | 85 | 597 | 431 | 35.40% |
| Capital grants, contributions | | | | | | | | |
| and restricted interest | | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| General revenues: | | | | | | | | |
| Property tax | | 978 | 919 | - | - | 978 | 919 | -0.10% |
| Income surtax | | 101 | 109 | - | - | 101 | 109 | -22.30% |
| Local option sales and | | | | | | | | |
| service tax | | 167 | 165 | - | - | 167 | 165 | 25.60% |
| Unrestricted intermediate | | | | | | | | |
| grants | | - | - | | - | - | - | |
| Unrestricted state grants | 1 | ,295 | 1,446 | - | - | 1,295 | 1,446 | -2.30% |
| Unrestricted investment | | | | | | | | |
| earnings | | 46 | 61 | 1 | 2 | 47 | 63 | 42.40% |
| Other | | 39 | 2 | - | - | 39 | 2 | |
| Total revenues | 3 | 3,300 | 3,224 | 126 | 131 | 3,426 | 3,355 | 3.90% |
| Program expenses: | | | | | | | | |
| Governmental activities: | | | | | | | | |
| Instruction | , | 1,961 | 1,893 | _ | _ | 1,961 | 1,893 | 3.60% |
| Support services | | 1,073 | 1,243 | _ | _ | 1,073 | 1,243 | -13.70% |
| Non-instructional | ' | ,,,,, | 1,210 | | | 1,010 | 1,210 | 1011 070 |
| programs | | 2 | _ | 146 | 150 | 148 | 150 | -1.30% |
| Other expenses | | 143 | 140 | - | - | 143 | 140 | 2.20% |
| Total expenses | | 3,179 | 3,276 | 146 | 150 | 3,325 | 3,426 | -3.30% |
| . 5.5. 5. 45. 1555 | | -, • | 3,2.0 | | | 2,020 | 5, .20 | 3.2370 |
| Change in net assets | | 121 | (52) | (20) | (19) | 101 | (71) | |

In fiscal 2008, property tax and unrestricted state grants account for 69% of the revenue from governmental activities while charges for service and operating grants and contributions account for 99% of the revenue from business type activities.

The District's total revenues were approximately \$3.426 million of which \$3.30 million was for governmental activities and \$126,000 was for business type activities

As shown in Figure A-2 the District as a whole experienced a 3.9% increase in revenues and a 3.3% decrease in spending. Increases in property taxes and operating grants and contributions offset a decrease in state grants. The decrease in expenses are due to staff reduction and an emphasis on reduced spending.

Governmental Activities

Revenues for governmental activities were \$3,300,133 and expenses were \$3,209,405. In a difficult budget year, the District was able to balance the budget by reducing expenses to match available revenues.

The following table presents the total and net cost of the District's major governmental activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenses for the year ended June 30, 2008 compared to the year ended June 30, 2007.

Figure A-3
Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities
(Expressed in Thousands)

| | Total | Cost of Se | ervices | | Net Co | ost of Servi | ces | |
|------------------|----------|------------|---------|----|--------|--------------|-----------|--|
| | | | Change | | | | Change | |
| | 2008 | | | | | 2007 2 | 2007-2008 | |
| Instruction | \$ 1,961 | 1,893 | 8.90% | \$ | 1,416 | 1,511 | -6.30% | |
| Support services | 1,073 | 1,243 | -13.70% | | 1,047 | 1,200 | -12.80% | |
| Non-instruction | 148 | - | 100% | | 22 | - | 100% | |
| Other expenses | 143 | 290 | -50.70% | | 40 | 43 | -7.00% | |
| | | | _ | | | | _ | |
| Total | 3,325 | 3,426 | -3.00% | _ | 2,525 | 2,754 | -8.30% | |
| | | | | | | | | |

- The cost financed by users of the District's programs was \$157,495
- Federal and state governments subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions totaling \$516,113.
- The net cost of governmental activities was financed with \$1,245,963 in property and other taxes and \$1,295,318 in unrestricted state grants.

Business Type Activities

Revenues for business type activities during the year ended June 30, 2008 were \$126,653, representing a 4% decrease over the prior year, while expenses totaled \$145,511 a 3% decrease over the prior year. The District's business type activities include the School Nutrition Fund. Revenues of these activities were comprised of charges for services, federal and state reimbursements and investment income.

During the year ended June 30, 2008, the District maintained meal prices. There was a decline in the number of students qualifying for free and reduced priced meals, and a decline in total meals served.

INDIVIDUAL FUND ANALYSIS

As previously noted, Mormon Trail Community School District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds, as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$1,137,945 above last year's ending fund balances of \$1,183,838. The primary reason for the increase in combined fund balance is due to decreased expenditures in the General Fund and Physical Plant and Equipment Fund.

Governmental Fund Highlights

- The District's General Fund financial position is the result of many factors. There was an emphasis to reduce spending. A decrease in salaries and benefits for fiscal 2008 and other costs resulted in expenditures exceeding revenues by approximately \$50,000. This is down from a \$241,000 spending deficit for fiscal 2007.
- The Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL) Fund balance increased from \$247,887 in fiscal 2007 to \$277,510 in fiscal 2008. A roof replacement at a cost of \$60,000 did not get completed until August 2008.

 The Capital Projects Fund balance increased from \$254,958 in fiscal 2007 to \$447,353 in fiscal 2008 even after \$84,000 was transferred to Debt Service for bond repayments. In fiscal 2008, \$154,000 will be transferred to Debt Service for bond and interest payments.

Proprietary Fund Highlights

School Nutrition Fund net assets decreased from \$90,532 at June 30, 2007 to \$71,564 at June 30, 2008, representing a decrease of approximately 22%. Fewer students participated in the free and reduced price meal program, fewer meals were served and also operating costs increased.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The District's receipts were \$4,091 more than budgeted receipts. The most significant variance resulted from the District receiving more in tuition and other local revenue than originally anticipated. These increases were offset by a decline in state and federal aid.

Total expenditures were less than budgeted, due primarily to the District's budget for the General Fund. It is the District's practice to budget expenditures at the maximum authorized spending authority for the General Fund. The District then manages or controls General Fund spending through its line-item budget. As a result, the District's certified budget should always exceed actual expenditures for the year.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2008, the District had invested \$2,021 million, net of accumulated depreciation, in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, athletic facilities, computers, audio-visual equipment and transportation equipment. (See Figure A-4) This represents a net decrease of 2.8% from last year. More detailed information about the District's capital assets presented in Note 4 to the financial statements. Depreciation expense for the year was \$95,172.

The original cost of the District's capital assets was \$3.76 million. Governmental funds account for \$3.61 million, with the remainder of \$.15 million accounted for in the Proprietary, School Nutrition Fund.

Figure A-4
Capital Assets, Net of Depreciation
(Expressed in Thousands)

| | | | | (Exp. cccca. | | ioaiiao, | | |
|-------------------------|----|------------|-------|---------------|------|----------|-------|-----------|
| | G | overnmenta | | Business Type | | Total | | Total |
| | | Activities | | Activities | | District | | Change |
| | | June 30, | | June 30, | | June 30, | | June 30, |
| | | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2007-2008 |
| Land | \$ | 16 | 16 | - | - | 16 | 16 | - |
| Buildings | | 1,888 | 1,943 | - | - | 1,888 | 1,943 | -2.80% |
| Furniture and equipment | | 86 | 115 | 31 | 36 | 117 | 151 | -22.50% |
| | | | | | | | | _ |
| Total | | 1,990 | 2,074 | 31 | 36 | 2,021 | 2,110 | -4.20% |

Long-Term Debt

At June 30, 2008, the District had \$775,000 in general obligation debt outstanding, and \$27,567 in capital lease financing. This represents a decrease of approximately 10% from last year.

Figure A-5
Outstanding Long-Term Obligations
(Expressed in Thousands)

| (Expressed in Thousands) | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| - | Total | Total | | | | | | | |
| D | District | Change | | | | | | | |
| Ju | ine 30, | June 30, | | | | | | | |
| 2008 | 2007 | 2007-2008 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| \$775,000 | 890,000 | -12.90% | | | | | | | |
| 27,567 | <u> </u> | 100.00% | | | | | | | |
| | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | |
| \$802,567 | 890,000 | -9.80% | | | | | | | |

General obligation bonds Capital lease financing

ECONOMIC FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of several existing circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- The District expects a steady enrollment in attending students for fiscal year 2008.
- The negotiated settlement with the Mormon Trail Education Teacher's Association for fiscal year 2009 exceeds the
 increase in state aid. The District will be required to use carryover fund balance to meet the obligation. Staff
 reductions have been made for fiscal year 2009 in an attempt to balance the budget.
- Administration costs will decrease due to a change in superintendent and principal. In prior year the superintendent
 was an employee of the district. For fiscal year 2009 the superintendent is an employee of adjoining district.
 Mormon Trial will receive state aid for the shared position.
- Property tax levies have been increased and the district expects to collect approximately \$120,000 additional revenue.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Linda Lovett, District Secretary/Treasurer and Business Manager, Mormon Trail Community School District, Humeston, Iowa 50123.



MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS June 30, 2008

| | | overnmental Business Type Activities Activities | | | Total | |
|--|----|---|----|---------|-------|-----------|
| Assets | | Activities | A | ZUVIUES | | TOtal |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ | 1,312,730 | \$ | 34,858 | \$ | 1,347,588 |
| Receivables: | Ψ | 1,012,700 | Ψ | 04,000 | Ψ | 1,047,000 |
| Property tax: | | | | | | |
| Delinquent | | 22,901 | | _ | | 22,901 |
| Succeeding year | | 1,010,648 | | _ | | 1,010,648 |
| Income surtax succeeding year | | 94,149 | | _ | | 94,149 |
| Due from other governments | | 115,067 | | _ | | 115,067 |
| Accounts | | 1,957 | | _ | | 1,957 |
| Inventories | | - | | 6,224 | | 6,224 |
| Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation (note 3) | | 1,989,835 | | 31,197 | | 2,021,032 |
| Total assets | | 4,547,287 | | 72,279 | | 4,619,566 |
| . 0.0. 0.000.0 | | .,0 ,20. | | , | | .,010,000 |
| Liabilities | | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | | 83,789 | | _ | | 83,789 |
| Salaries and benefits payable | | 200,888 | | _ | | 200,888 |
| Accrued interest payable | | 7,359 | | _ | | 7,359 |
| Deferred revenue: | | • | | | | , |
| Succeeding year property tax | | 1,010,648 | | - | | 1,010,648 |
| Succeeding year income surtax | | 94,149 | | - | | 94,149 |
| Other | | 795 | | 694 | | 1,489 |
| Long-term liabilities (note 4): | | | | | | |
| Portion due within one year: | | | | | | |
| Bonds payable | | 133,300 | | - | | 133,300 |
| Portion due after one year: | | | | | | |
| Bonds payable | | 669,267 | | - | | 669,267 |
| Total liabilities | | 2,200,195 | | 694 | | 2,200,889 |
| | | | | | | |
| Net assets | | | | | | |
| Invested in capital assets, net of related debt | | 1,209,147 | | 31,197 | | 1,240,344 |
| Restricted for: | | | | | | |
| Management levy | | 31,656 | | - | | 31,656 |
| Debt service | | 11,918 | | - | | 11,918 |
| Physical plant and equipment levy | | 277,510 | | - | | 277,510 |
| Capital projects | | 447,353 | | | | 447,353 |
| Other special revenue purposes | | 54,930 | | - | | 54,930 |
| Other | | 21,837 | | | | 21,837 |
| Unrestricted | | 292,741 | | 40,387 | | 333,128 |
| Total net assets | | 2,347,092 | | 71,584 | | 2,418,676 |
| See notes to financial statements. | | | | | | |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2008

| | | | Program Revenues |
|---|-----------------|------------------------|---|
| | Expenses | Charges for Service | Operating Grants, Contributions and Restricted Interest |
| Functions/Programs | | | |
| Governmental activities: | | | |
| Instruction: | | | |
| Regular instruction | \$ 1,233,570 | \$ 63,690 | \$ 412,843 |
| Special instruction | 488,687 | - | |
| Other instruction | 238,906 | 68,154 | <u>-</u> |
| | 1,961,163 | 131,844 | 412,843 |
| Support Service: | | | |
| Student services | 79,573 | 25,651 | - |
| Instructional staff services | 138,762 | - | - |
| Administration services | 315,970 | - | - |
| Operating and maintenance of plant services | 329,641 | - | - |
| Transportation services | 209,105 | - | |
| | 1,073,051 | 25,651 | - |
| Non-instructional programs | 1,863 | - | |
| Other expenditures: | | | |
| Facilities acquisition | - | - | - |
| Long-term debt interest | 39,967 | - | - |
| AEA flowthrough | 103,270 | - | 103,270 |
| | 143,237 | - | 103,270 |
| Total governmental activities | 3,179,314 | 157,495 | 516,113 |
| Business type activities: | | | |
| Non-instructional programs: | | | |
| Nutrition services | 145,511 | 44,160 | 81,100 |
| | 145,511 | 44,160 | 81,100 |
| Total primary government | 1,600,705 | 201,655 | 597,213 |

| Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|----------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Contri and Re | l Grants, butions estricted erest | Governmental Activities | | ness type tivities | | Total | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \$ | - | \$ (757,03 | | - | \$ | (757,037) | | | | | |
| | | (488,68 | | - | | (488,687) | | | | | |
| | - | (170,75 | | - | | (170,752) | | | | | |
| | - | (1,416,470 | 6) | - | | (1,416,476) | | | | | |
| | _ | (53,922 | 2) | _ | | (53,922) | | | | | |
| | - | (138,76 | | _ | | (138,762) | | | | | |
| | - | (315,97 | | _ | | (315,970) | | | | | |
| | - | (329,64 | | _ | | (329,641) | | | | | |
| | - | (209,10 | | - | | (209,105) | | | | | |
| | - | (1,047,40 | | - | | (1,047,400) | | | | | |
| | _ | (1,86 | | _ | | (1,863) | | | | | |
| | | (1,000 | <i>3</i>) | | | (1,000) | | | | | |
| | _ | | _ | _ | | _ | | | | | |
| | - | (39,96 | 7) | - | | (39,967) | | | | | |
| | - | | - | - | | - | | | | | |
| | - | (39,96 | 7) | - | | (39,967) | | | | | |
| | - | (2,505,700 | 6) | - | | (2,505,706) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | - | | - | (20,251) | | (20,251) | | | | | |
| | | | | (20,251) | | (20,251) | | | | | |
| | - | (2,505,700 | 6) | (20,251) | | (2,525,957) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |

General Revenues:

Totals from pages 11 and 12

Property tax levied for:

General purposes

Debt service

Capital outlay

Income surtax

Local option sales and services tax

Unrestricted intermediate grants

Unrestricted state grants

Unrestricted investment earnings

Other

Sale of equipment

Total general revenues

Change in net assets

Net assets beginning of year

Net assets end of year

See notes to financial statements.

1,600,705 \$ 201,655 \$

597,213

\$

| \$ - | \$ | (2,505,706) | \$ (20,251) | \$ (2,525,957) |
|------|----|-------------|----------------|-------------------|
| | | 841,312 | - | 841,312 |
| | | 69,850 | - | 69,850 |
| | | 67,055 | - | 67,055 |
| | | 101,069 | - | 101,069 |
| | | 166,677 | - | 166,677 |
| | | - | - | - |
| | | 1,295,318 | - | 1,295,318 |
| | | 46,076 | 1,303 | 47,379 |
| | | 10,821 | - | 10,821 |
| | | 780 | = | 780 |
| | | | | |
| | | 2,598,958 | 1,303 | 2,600,261 |
| | | | | |
| | | 93,252 | (18,948) | 74,304 |
| | | | | |
| | | 2,253,840 | 90,532 | 2,344,372 |
| | | 2,347,092 | 71,584 | 2,418,676 |
| | _ | - | • | |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2008

| | General | | | Debt Service | Capital Projects | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|-----------|----|-----------------|---------------------|---------|
| Assets and Other Debits | | | | | | |
| Cash and pooled investments | \$ | 565,143 | \$ | 10,283 | \$ | 376,180 |
| Receivables: | | | | | | |
| Property tax: | | | | | | |
| Current year delinquent | | 18,294 | | 1,635 | | - |
| Succeeding year | | 890,635 | | - | | - |
| Income surtax succeeding year | | 94,149 | | - | | - |
| Due from other governments | | 43,894 | | - | | 71,173 |
| Accounts | | 1,957 | | - | | |
| Total assets and other debits | | 1,614,072 | | 11,918 | | 447,353 |
| | | | | | | |
| Liabilities and Fund Balances | | | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | | 83,789 | | - | | - |
| Salaries and benefits payable | | 200,888 | | - | | - |
| Deferred revenue: | | | | | | |
| Succeeding year property tax | | 890,635 | | - | | - |
| Succeeding year income surtax | | 94,149 | | - | | - |
| Other | | 795 | | - | | - |
| Total liabilities | | 1,270,256 | | - | | - |
| Fund balances: | | | | | | |
| Reserved for: | | | | | | |
| Debt service | | - | | 11,918 | | - |
| Other | | 21,837 | | - | | - |
| Unreserved: | | | | | | |
| Undesignated | | 321,979 | | - | | 447,353 |
| Total fund balances | | 343,816 | | 11,918 | | 447,353 |
| Total liabilities and fund balances | | 1,614,072 | | 11,918 | | 447,353 |
| | | | | | | |

| N | onmajor | |
|----|---------|--------------|
| | Special | |
| F | Revenue | Total |
| | | |
| \$ | 361,124 | \$ 1,312,730 |
| | • | |
| | | |
| | 2,972 | 22,901 |
| | 120,013 | 1,010,648 |
| | - | 94,149 |
| | _ | 115,067 |
| | _ | 1,957 |
| | 484,109 | 2,557,452 |
| | 707,100 | 2,007,402 |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | 02 700 |
| | - | 83,789 |
| | - | 200,888 |
| | 400.040 | 4 040 040 |
| | 120,013 | 1,010,648 |
| | - | 94,149 |
| | - | 795 |
| | 120,013 | 1,390,269 |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | - | 11,918 |
| | - | 21,837 |
| | | |
| | 364,096 | 1,133,428 |
| | 364,096 | 1,167,183 |
| | | |
| | 484,109 | 2,557,452 |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS June 30, 2008

Total fund balances of governmental funds (pg. 15)

\$ 1,167,183

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.

1,989,835

Accrued interest payable on long-term liabilities is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds.

(7,359)

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.

(802,567)

Net assets of governmental activities (pg. 9)

\$ 2,347,092

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2008

| | | | | _ |
|---|-----|-----------|-----------------|-----------|
| | | | Debt | Capital |
| | | General | Service | Projects |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| Local sources: | | | | |
| Local tax | \$ | 882,509 | \$ 69,850 \$ | 166,677 |
| Tuition | | 56,670 | - | - |
| Other | | 75,495 | - | 9,848 |
| Intermediate | | 22,931 | - | |
| State sources | | 1,656,170 | - | |
| Federal sources | | 114,103 | - | |
| Total revenues | | 2,807,878 | 69,850 | 176,525 |
| Expenditures: | | | | |
| Current: | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | |
| Regular instruction | | 1,205,503 | - | - |
| Special instruction | | 488,687 | - | - |
| Other instruction | | 134,766 | - | |
| | | 1,828,956 | - | |
| | | | | _ |
| Support services: | | | | |
| Student services | | 68,001 | - | - |
| Instructional staff services | | 138,762 | - | - |
| Administration services | | 301,009 | - | - |
| Operation and maintenance of plant services | | 219,194 | - | - |
| Transportation services | | 197,198 | - | <u>-</u> |
| | | 924,164 | - | |
| Non-instructional programs | | 1,863 | - | |
| | | | | |
| Other expenditures: | | | | |
| Facilities acquisition | | | | |
| Long-term debt: | | | | |
| Principal | | - | 115,000 | - |
| Interest and fiscal charges | | - | 39,130 | - |
| AEA flowthrough | | 103,270 | | |
| - | | 103,270 | 154,130 | |
| Total expenditures | | 2,858,253 | 154,130 | |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenues over | | | | |
| (under) expenditures | | (50,375) | (84,280) | 176,525 |
| (1 11) 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | | (,, | (- , , | -,- |
| Other financing sources: | | | | |
| Interfund transfer | | _ | 84,130 | (84,130) |
| Capital lease financing | | _ | - | - |
| Sale of equipment | | 780 | _ | _ |
| Total other financing sources | | 780 | 84,130 | (84,130) |
| | | | 2 1,100 | (5 1,100) |
| Net change in fund balances | | (49,595) | (150) | 92,395 |
| Find belonged beginning of the | 1.0 | 202 444 | 40.000 | 254.050 |
| Fund balances beginning of year | 18 | 393,411 | 12,068 | 354,958 |
| Fund balances end of year | | 343,816 | 11,918 | 447,353 |
| | | | | |

| ; | onmajor Special | T. (.) |
|---------|--------------------|----------------------|
| <u></u> | Revenue | Total |
| | | |
| | | |
| \$ | 126,927 | \$ 1,245,963 |
| | - | 56,670 |
| | 90,606 | 175,949 |
| | - | 22,931 |
| | | 1,656,170 |
| | - | |
| | - | 114,103 |
| | 217,533 | 3,271,786 |
| | - | 1,205,503 488,687 |
| | 104 140 | |
| | 104,140 | 238,906 |
| | 104,140 | 1,933,096 |
| | | |
| | 11,572 | 79,573 |
| | - | 138,762 |
| | 14,961 | 315,970 |
| | 55,249 | 274,443 |
| | 11,500 | 208,698 |
| | 93,282 | 1,017,446 |
| | | 1,863 |
| | | 1,000 |
| | | |
| | - | 115,000 |
| | _ | 39,130 |
| | _ | 103,270 |
| | _ | 257,400 |
| | 197,422 | 3,209,805 |
| | 101,422 | 3,203,003 |
| | 20,111 | 61,981 |
| | 27,567 - | 27,567 780 |
| | 27,567 | 28,347 |
| | | |
| | 47,678 | 90,328 |
| | 316,418 | 1,076,855 |
| | 364,096 | 1,167,183 |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2008

| Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (pg. | 18) | \$ | 90,328 |
|---|--------------------|--|----------|
| Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because: | | | |
| Captal outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, those costs are reported in the Statement of Net Assets and are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. The amounts of capital outlays and depreciation expense in the year are as follows: | 11 500 | | |
| Capital outlays Depreciation expense | 11,500 (95,172) | <u>. </u> | |
| Repayment of long-term debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but it reduces long-term liabilities in the | | - | (83,672) |
| Statement of Net Assets. | | | 115,000 |
| Issuance of capital lease financing is an other financing source in the government funds, but it increases long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets. | | | (27,567) |
| Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recorded as an expenditure in the funds when due. In the Statement of Activities, interest expense is recognized as the interest expense are got less of when it is due. | | | (007) |
| the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due. | | | (837) |
| Change in net assets of governmental activities (pg. 13) | | \$ | 93,252 |
| | | | |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUND June 30, 2008

| | School Nutrition |
|---|---|
| Assets Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Inventories Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation Total assets | \$ 34,858 - 6,224 31,197 72,279 |
| Liabilities Salaries and benefits payable Other liabilities Total liabilities | 694 694 |
| Net Assets Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Unrestricted | 31,197 40,387 |
| Total net assets | \$ 71,584 |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS PROPRIETARY FUND Year Ended June 30, 2008

| | School Nutrition |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Operating revenues: | |
| Local sources | |
| Charges for service | \$ 44,160 |
| Operating expenses: | |
| Non-instructional programs: | |
| Food service operations: | |
| Salaries | 51,215 |
| Benefits | 6,829 |
| Purchased services | 7,676 |
| Supplies | 64,919 |
| Other | 2,238 |
| Depreciation | 12,634 |
| Total operating expenses | 145,511 |
| Operating loss | (101,351) |
| Non-operating revenues: | |
| State sources | 1,652 |
| Federal sources | 79,448 |
| Local sources | 1,303 |
| Total non-operating revenues | 82,403 |
| Changes in net assets | (18,948) |
| Net assets beginning of year | 90,532 |
| Net assets end of year | \$ 71,584 |
| See notes to financial statements. | |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND

Year Ended June 30, 2008

| | School Nutrition |
|---|---|
| Cash flows from operating activities: Cash received from sale of meals Cash payments to employees for services Cash payments to suppliers for goods or services Net cash used by operating activities | \$ 44,030 (58,043) (69,825) (83,838) |
| Cash flows from non-capital financing activities: State grants received Federal grants received Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities | 1,652 72,487 74,139 |
| Cash flows from capital and related financing activities: Acquisition of capital assets | (7,479) |
| Cash flows from investing activities: Interest on investments | 1,303 |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (15,875) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | 50,733 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of year | 34,858 |
| Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used by operating activities: Operating loss Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash provided (used) by operating activities: | (101,351) |
| Commodities used Depreciation Increase in inventory Decrease in deferred revenue Net cash used by operating activities | 6,961 12,634 (1,953) (129) (83,838) |

Non-cash investing, capital and financing activities:

During the year ended June 30, 2008, the District received federal commodities valued at \$6,961

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2008

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Mormon Trail Community School District is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates public schools for children in grades pre-kindergarten through twelve. Additionally, the District either operates or sponsors various adult education programs. These courses include remedial education as well as vocational and recreational courses. The geographic area served includes the Cities of Derby, Garden Grove, Humeston and LeRoy, Iowa, and the predominate agricultural territory in Wayne, Decatur, Lucas and Clarke Counties. The District is governed by a Board of Education whose members are elected on a non-partisan basis.

The District's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Mormon Trail Community School District has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The District has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the District. Mormon Trail Community School District has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

<u>Jointly Governed Organization</u> – The District participates in a jointly governed organization that provides services to the District but does not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The District is a member of the Wayne County Assessor's Conference Board.

B. Basis of Presentation

<u>Government-wide Financial Statements</u> – The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the District's nonfiduciary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in three categories:

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvements of those assets.

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> – Separate financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor governmental funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. All general tax revenues and other revenues that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, including instructional, support and other costs.

The Debt Service Fund is utilized to account for the payment of interest and principal on the District's general long-term debt.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities.

The District reports the following major proprietary fund:

The District's proprietary fund is the Enterprise, School Nutrition Fund. This fund is used to account for the food service operations of the District.

C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recognized as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs, and then general revenues.

The proprietary fund of the District applies all applicable GASB pronouncements, as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District's Enterprise Fund is charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Enterprise Funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The District maintains its financial records on the accrual basis.

D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the balance sheet:

<u>Cash, Pooled Investments and Cash Equivalents</u> – The cash balances of most District funds are pooled and invested. Investments are stated at fair value, except for the investment in the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust which is valued at amortized cost.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

<u>Property Tax Receivable</u> – Property tax in governmental funds is accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date the tax asking is certified by the Board of Education. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Education to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the District is required to certify its budget in April of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking and budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is deferred in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1 ½ % per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2006 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified to the County Board of Supervisors in April, 2007.

<u>Due from Other Governments</u> – Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.

<u>Inventories</u> – Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method for purchased items and government commodities. Inventories of proprietary funds are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased or received.

<u>Capital Assets</u> – Capital assets, which include property, furniture and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

| Asset Class | Amount |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| | |
| Land | \$5,000 |
| Buildings | 5,000 |
| Improvement other than buildings | 5,000 |
| Furniture and equipment: | |
| School Nutrition Fund equipment | 1,000 |
| Other furniture and equipment | 5,000 |

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

| Asset Class | Estimated Useful Lives (In Years) |
|---|---|
| Buildings Improvements other than buildings | 20-50 years 20-40 years |
| Furniture and equipment | 5-20 years |

<u>Salaries and Benefits Payable</u> – Payroll and related expenditures for teachers with annual contracts corresponding to the current school year, which are payable in July and August, have been accrued as liabilities.

<u>Deferred Revenue</u> – Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue in the governmental fund financial statements represents the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue consists of unspent grant proceeds as well as property tax receivable and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end.

Deferred revenue in the Statement of Net Assets consists of succeeding year property tax receivable and income surtax receivable that will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

<u>Compensated Absences</u> – District employees accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vacation for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees that have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability has been computed based on rates of pay in effect at June 30, 2008. The compensated absences liability attributable to the governmental activities will be paid primarily by the General Fund.

<u>Long-term liabilities</u> – In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the governmental activities column in the Statement of Net Assets.

<u>Fund Equity</u> – In the governmental fund financial statements, reservations of fund balance are reported for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

<u>Restricted Net Assets</u> – In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information.

(2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The District's deposits in banks at June 30, 2008 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The District is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Education; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investments trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

At June 30, 2008, the District had investments in the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust as follows:

Amortized Cost

Diversified Portfolio \$506,704

The investments are valued at an amortized cost pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Credit risk. The investments in the Iowa Schools Joint Investment Trust were both rated Aaa by Moody's Investors Service.

(3) Interfund Transfers

The detail for interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2008 is as follows:

| Transfer to Transfer from | | Amount |
|---------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Debt Service | Capital Projects | \$84,130 |

Transfers generally move revenues from the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to collect the resources to the fund statutorily required to expend the resources.

(4) Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2008 was as follows:

| | Balan | ce beginning of | | | Balance end of |
|--|-------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| | Dalan | year | Increases | Decreases | year |
| Governmental activities: | | | | | |
| Capital assets not being depreciated: | | | | | |
| Land | \$ | 16,220 | - | - | 16,220 |
| Total capital assets not being depreciated | | 16,220 | - | - | 16,220 |
| | | | | | |
| Capital assets being depreciated: | | | | | |
| Buildings | | 2,770,260 | = | - | 2,770,260 |
| Improvements other than buildings | | - | - | - | - |
| Furniture and equipment | | 823,776 | 11,500 | 19,411 | 815,865 |
| Total capital assets being depreciated | | 3,594,036 | 11,500 | 19,411 | 3,586,125 |
| Less accumulated depreciation for: | | | | | |
| Buildings | | 827,139 | 55,198 | _ | 882,337 |
| Improvements other than buildings | | - | - | _ | - |
| Furniture and equipment | | 709,610 | 39,974 | 19,411 | 730,173 |
| Total accumulated depreciation | | 1,536,749 | 95,172 | 19,411 | 1,612,510 |
| Total accumulated acpresiation | | 1,000,110 | 00,112 | 10,111 | 1,012,010 |
| Total capital assets being depreciated, net | | 2,057,287 | (83,672) | - | 1,973,615 |
| Governmental activities capital assets, net | | 2,073,507 | (83,672) | - | 1,989,835 |
| Business type activities: | | | | | |
| Furniture and equipment | | 141,594 | 7,479 | _ | 149,073 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | | (105,242) | (12,634) | | (117,876) |
| Less accumulated depreciation | | (103,242) | (12,034) | | (117,070) |
| Business type activities capital assets, net | | 36,352 | (5,155) | - | 31,197 |
| Depreciation expense was charged to the following function | ns: | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | | |
| Regular | | | | | |
| Support services: | | | | | |
| Instruction | | | | | 28,067 |
| Operation and maintenance | | | | | 55,198 |
| Transportation | | | | | 11,907 |
| · | | | | | <u> </u> |
| Total depreciation expense - governmental activities | | | | | 95,172 |
| Business type activities: | | | | | |
| Food service operations | | | | | \$ 12,634 |
| | | | | | |

(5) Long-Term Liabilities

Changes in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2008 are summarized:

| | Balance | | | Balance | Due |
|--------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------|---------|----------|
| | Beginning | | | End of | Within |
| | of Year | Additions | Reductions | Year | One Year |
| General obligation bonds | \$ 890,000 | - | 115,000 | 775,000 | 120,000 |
| Lease/purchase financing | - | 27,567 | - | 27,567 | 13,300 |
| | | | | | |
| | \$ 890,000 | 27,567 | 115,000 | 802,567 | 133,300 |

General Obligation Bonds Payable

Details of the District's June 30, 2008 general obligation bonded indebtedness are as follows:

| Bond Issue of June 1, 1996 | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Year | | | | | | | | | |
| Ending | Interest | | | | | | | | |
| June 30, | Rates | Principal | Interest | Total | | | | | |
| 2009 | 4.35% | 120,000 | 34,127 | 154,127 | | | | | |
| 2010 | 4.35% | 120,000 | 28,908 | 148,908 | | | | | |
| 2011 | 4.35% | 130,000 | 23,688 | 153,688 | | | | | |
| 2012 | 4.35% | 130,000 | 18,032 | 148,032 | | | | | |
| 2013 | 4.45% | 135,000 | 12,378 | 147,378 | | | | | |
| 2014 | 4.55% | 140,000 | 6,370 | 146,370 | | | | | |
| | _ | | | _ | | | | | |
| Total | _ | 775,000 | 123,503 | 898,503 | | | | | |

Capital Lease Financing

The District entered into capital lease financing with Apple, Inc. at 2.9% for the purchase of computers. Payment of the capital lease will be made from the Special Revenue, Physical Plant and Equipment Levy Fund. Details of the capital lease financing are as follows:

| Year | | | | |
|----------|----------|-----------|----------|--------|
| Ending | Interest | | | |
| June 30, | Rates | Principal | Interest | Total |
| 2009 | 2.90% | \$ 13,000 | 2,005 | 15,305 |
| 2010 | 2.90% | 14,267 | 1,037 | 15,304 |
| | | | | _ |
| Total | | 26,567 | 3,042 | 39,609 |

(6) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The District contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement Systems (IPERS), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by state statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.90% of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 6.05% of annual covered payroll for the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The District's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$125,191, \$124,982 and \$133,137, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

(7) Risk Management

Mormon Trail Community School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft; damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The District assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

(8) Area Education Agency

The District is required by the Code of Iowa to budget for its share of special education support, media and educational services provided through the area education agency. The District's actual amount for this purpose totaled \$103,270 for the year ended June 30, 2008 and is recorded in the General Fund by making a memorandum adjusting entry to the cash financial statements.



MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

AND PROPRIETARY FUND REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Year Ended June 30, 2008

| | Governmental Funds Actual | Proprietary Fund Actual |
|--|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Revenues: | | |
| Local sources | \$ 1,478,582 | \$ 45,463 |
| Intermediate sources | 22,931 | - |
| State sources | 1,656,170 | 1,652 |
| Federal sources | 114,103 | 79,448 |
| Total revenues | 3,271,786 | 126,563 |
| Expenditures: | | |
| Instruction | 1,933,096 | - |
| Support services | 1,017,446 | - |
| Non-instructional programs | 1,863 | 145,511 |
| Other expenditures | 257,400 | - |
| Total expenditures | 3,209,805 | 145,511 |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures | 61,981 | (18,948) |
| Other financing sources | 28,347 | |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over | | |
| (under) expenditures | 90,328 | (18,948) |
| Balances beginning of year | 1,076,855 | 90,532 |
| Balances end of year | 1,167,183 | 71,584 |

| | Budgeted | Variance | |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|-----|
| Total | Amount | Favorable | ÷ |
| Actual | Original | (Unfavorabl | le) |
| | | | |
| \$ 1,524,045 | \$ 1,352,587 | \$ 171,45 | |
| 22,931 | 26,000 | (3,06 | |
| 1,657,822 | 1,726,671 | (68,84 | |
| 193,551 | 289,000 | (95,44 | |
| 3,398,349 | 3,394,258 | 4,09 | 91 |
| | | | |
| 1,933,096 | 2,160,000 | 226,90 | 04 |
| 1,017,446 | 1,150,000 | 132,55 | |
| 147,374 | 150,000 | 2,62 | |
| 257,400 | 390,823 | 133,42 | 23 |
| 3,355,316 | 3,850,823 | 495,50 | 07 |
| 43,033 | (456,565) | 499,59 | 98 |
| 28,347 | - | 28,34 | 47 |
| | | | |
| 71,380 | (456,565) | 527,94 | 45 |
| 1,167,387 | 1,088,984 | 78,40 | 03 |
| 1,238,767 | 632,419 | 606,34 | 48 |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Notes to Required Supplementary Information – Budgetary Reporting Year Ended June 30, 2008

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Education annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing for all funds. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. The District's budget is prepared on the GAAP basis.

Formal and legal budgetary control for the certified budget is based upon four major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These four functions are instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenditures. Although the budget document presents function expenditures or expenses by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated functional level, not by fund. The Code of Iowa also provides District expenditures in the General Fund may not exceed the amount authorized by the school finance formula. During the year the District adopted one budget amendment increasing budgeted expenditures by \$114,456.

During the year ended June 30, 2008, expenditures in the support services function exceeded the amount budgeted.

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS June 30, 2008

| Assets | Management | | Physical Plant and Student Equipment Activity Levy | | | Total | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--------|---|----|---------|-------|---------|
| Cash and pooled investments | \$ | 30,254 | \$ 54,930 | \$ | 275,940 | \$ | 361,124 |
| Receivables: | · | , | , | · | , | • | • |
| Property tax: | | | | | | | |
| Current year delinquent | | 1,402 | - | | 1,570 | | 2,972 |
| Succeeding year | | 52,000 | - | | 68,013 | | 120,013 |
| Due from other funds | | - | - | | - | | - |
| Total assets | | 83,656 | 54,930 | | 345,523 | | 484,109 |
| Liabilities and Fund Equity | | | | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | | | | |
| Accounts payable | | - | - | | | | - |
| Due to other funds | | - | - | | | | - |
| Deferred revenue: | | | | | | | |
| Succeeding year property tax | | 52,000 | - | | 68,013 | | 120,013 |
| Total liabilities | | 52,000 | - | | 68,013 | | 120,013 |
| Fund equity: | | | | | | | |
| Fund balances: | | | | | | | |
| Unreserved, undesignated | | | | | | | |
| fund balance | | 31,656 | 54,930 | | 277,510 | | 364,096 |
| Total liabilities and fund equity | | 83,656 | 54,930 | | 345,523 | | 484,109 |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS June 30, 2008

| | | | | Student | Physical Plant and Equipment | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---------|----|-----------|------------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| | Management | | | Activity | Levy | | Total |
| Revenues: | IVICAL | agomoni | | 7 touvity | | | - Otal |
| Local sources: | | | | | | | |
| Local tax | \$ | 59,872 | \$ | - | \$ | 67,055 | \$ 126,927 |
| Other | | 6,281 | | 69,887 | | 14,438 | 90,606 |
| State sources | | - | | - | | - | - |
| Federal sources | | - | | - | | - | - |
| Total revenues | | 66,153 | | 69,887 | | 81,493 | 217,533 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | | |
| Current | | | | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | | | | |
| Other instruction | | - | | 61,268 | | 42,872 | 104,140 |
| Support services: | | | | | | | |
| Instruction | | 11,572 | | - | | - | 11,572 |
| Administrative support | | 14,961 | | - | | - | 14,961 |
| Plant operation | | 30,184 | | - | | 25,065 | 55,249 |
| Student transportation | | - | | - | | 11,500 | 11,500 |
| Other expenditures: | | | | | | | |
| Facilities acquisition | | - | | - | | - | - |
| Total expenditures | | 56,717 | | 61,268 | | 79,437 | 197,422 |
| Excess of revenues over expenditures | | 9,436 | | 8,619 | | 2,056 | 20,111 |
| Other financing sources: | | | | | | | |
| Lease/purchase financing | | - | | - | | 27,567 | 27,567 |
| Fund balance beginning of year | | 22,220 | | 46,311 | | 247,887 | 316,418 |
| Fund balance end of year | | 31,656 | | 54,930 | | 277,510 | 364,096 |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS Year Ended June 30, 2008

| | | Balance | | | Balance |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Beginning | End | | | |
| Account | | Of Year | Revenues | Expenditures | of Year |
| Athletics | \$ | 13,255 | \$ 24,157 | \$ 21,418 | \$ 15,994 |
| Activites Club | | 2,892 | | | 2,892 |
| Drama/Play | | 3,097 | 919 | 586 | 3,430 |
| Cheerleaders | | 602 | - | 592 | 10 |
| Flags | | 622 | 991 | 1,022 | 591 |
| FCCLA | | 344 | 8,826 | 9,193 | (23) |
| FFA | | 373 | 26 | 116 | 283 |
| Band/Chorus | | 1,480 | - | - | 1,480 |
| JR/SR Incentive | | 9,003 | 12,303 | 7,979 | 13,327 |
| Elementary Activities | | 6,025 | 6,073 | 5,256 | 6,842 |
| Class of 2007 | | 397 | - | - | 397 |
| Class of 2008 | | 3,161 | 1,372 | 3,691 | 842 |
| Class of 2009 | | 4,394 | 5,822 | 5,944 | 4,272 |
| Class of 2010 | | 666 | 4,651 | 2,784 | 2,533 |
| Class of 2011 | | - | 4,747 | 2,687 | 2,060 |
| Totals | | 46,311 | 69,887 | 61,268 | 54,930 |

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF REVENUES BY SOURCE AND EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS

| | Modified Accrual Basis | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|----|-----------|--|
| | | 2008 | | 2007 | | 2006 | | 2005 | |
| Revenues: | | | | | | | | | |
| Local sources: | | | | | | | | | |
| Local tax | \$ | 1,245,963 | \$ | 1,241,798 | \$ | 1,242,170 | \$ | 1,151,258 | |
| Tuition | | 56,670 | | 70,019 | | 50,896 | | 58,020 | |
| Other | | 175,949 | | 184,842 | | 146,636 | | 137,231 | |
| Intermediate sources | | 22,931 | | 26,421 | | 68,382 | | 92,639 | |
| State sources | | 1,656,170 | | 1,464,411 | | 1,533,905 | | 1,332,111 | |
| Federal sources | | 114,103 | | 172,366 | | 160,886 | | 152,784 | |
| Total | | 3,271,786 | | 3,159,857 | | 3,202,875 | | 2,924,043 | |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | | | | | | |
| Regular instruction | | 1,205,503 | | 1,105,545 | | 1,150,088 | | 1,138,634 | |
| Special instruction | | 488,687 | | 389,476 | | 460,637 | | 401,718 | |
| Other instruction | | 238,906 | | 360,899 | | 174,357 | | 234,833 | |
| Support services: | | | | | | | | | |
| Student services | | 79,573 | | 141,933 | | 146,071 | | 134,518 | |
| Instructional staff services | | 138,762 | | 113,490 | | 58,777 | | 71,798 | |
| Administration services | | 315,970 | | 252,910 | | 280,664 | | 339,907 | |
| Operation and maintenance of | | | | | | | | | |
| plant services | | 274,443 | | 235,696 | | 212,266 | | 254,451 | |
| Transportation services | | 208,698 | | 248,492 | | 179,478 | | 167,915 | |
| Central support | | - | | - | | - | | - | |
| Non-instructional programs | | 1,863 | | - | | 653 | | - | |
| Other expenditures: | | | | | | | | | |
| Facilities acquisition | | - | | - | | 2,260 | | - | |
| Long-term debt: | | | | | | | | | |
| Principal | | 115,000 | | 105,000 | | 100,000 | | 85,000 | |
| Interest and other charges | | 39,130 | | 48,482 | | 52,783 | | 74,724 | |
| AEA flowthrough | | 103,270 | | 92,955 | | 94,462 | | 89,860 | |
| Total | | 3,209,805 | | 3,094,878 | | 2,912,496 | | 2,993,358 | |

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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control
Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with
Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Education of Mormon Trail Community School District:

I have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Mormon Trail Community School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and issued my report thereon dated September 29, 2008, I conducted my audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Mormon Trail Community School District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the effectiveness of Mormon Trail Community School District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Mormon Trail Community School District's internal control over financial reporting.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, I identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be significant deficiencies and other deficiencies I consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affect Mormon Trail Community School District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of Mormon Trail Community School District's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Mormon Trail Community School District's internal control. I consider the deficiencies in internal control described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies that results in more than a remote likelihood a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by Mormon Trail Community School District's internal control.

My consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the significant deficiencies described above, I believe item II-A-08 is a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Mormon Trail Community School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit and, accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, I noted certain immaterial instances of non-compliance or other matters that are described in Part IV of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the District's operations for the year ended June 30, 2008 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during my audit of the financial statements of the District. Since my audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Mormon Trail Community School District's responses to findings identified in my audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. While I have expressed my conclusions on the District's responses, I did not audit Mormon Trail Community School District's responses and, accordingly, I express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of Mormon Trail Community School District and other parties to whom Mormon Trail Community School District may report, including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

I would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to me by personnel of Mormon Trail Community School District during the course of my audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, I shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

MORMON TRAIL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs Year ended June 30, 2008

Part I: Summary of the Independent Auditor's Results

- (a) An unqualified opinion was issued on the financial statements.
- (b) Reportable conditions in internal control over financial reporting were disclosed by the audit of the financial statements.
- (c) The audit did not disclose any noncompliance which is material to the financial statements.

Part II: Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

REPORTABLE CONDITIONS:

II-A-08 Segregation of Duties – One important aspect of internal control is the segregation of duties among employees to prevent an individual employee from handling duties which are incompatible. Cash receipts are issued and bank deposits are prepared by the same person. An independent person does not open the mail and prepare an initial listing of the checks received and later compare the listing to the receipts issued. Also, vouchers are processed, disbursements are recorded, and checks are prepared by the same person.

<u>Recommendation</u> – I realize segregation of duties is difficult with a limited number of office employees. However, the District should review its operating procedures to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

Response – We will continue to review our procedures and implement additional controls where possible.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

II-A-08 Purchase Orders - Purchase orders were not prepared for several purchases in the Student Activity Fund.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Purchase orders should have been prepared for these purchases. Purchase orders help to insure that there is proper authorization for the purchase and that the prices stated in the purchase order is what is reflected in the final invoice.

Response – We will monitor the use of purchase orders more closely in the future.

Conclusion - Response accepted.

Part III: Findings and Questioned Costs for Federal Awards:

Not applicable since less than \$500,000 in federal awards.

Other Findings Related to Statutory Reporting:

IV-A-08 Official Depositories – Official depositories have been approved by the District. The maximum deposit amounts approved were not exceeded during the year ended June 30, 2008.

IV-B-08 Certified Budget – District disbursements for the year ended June 30, 2008 did not exceed the amount budgeted.

- IV-C-08 <u>Questionable Expenditures</u> No expenditures were noted that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- IV-D-08 <u>Travel Expense</u> No expenditures of District money for travel expenses of spouses of District officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to District officials or employees were noted.
- IV-E-08 <u>Business Transactions</u> Business transactions between the District and District officials are stated as follows:

Michiko Fogle, Board Member Gary Fogle, Spouse

Snow removal

\$1.475

In accordance with Attorney General opinion dated November 9, 1976 the above transaction with the Board Member's spouse does not appear to present a conflict of interest.

- IV-F-08 <u>Bond Coverage</u> Surety bond coverage of District officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.
- IV-G-08 Board Minutes I noted no transactions requiring Board approval which had not been approved by the Board.
- IV-H-08 <u>Certified Enrollment</u> The number of basic resident students reported to the Iowa Department of Education on line 1 of the Certified Enrollment Certification Form for October 2007 was overstated. The District's certified enrollment count of Dual Enrolled and Home School Assistance students was overstated by 2.3 students.
- IV-I-08 <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of noncompliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the District's investment policy were noted.
- IV-J-08 <u>Certified Annual Report</u> The Certified Annual Report will be filed with the Iowa Department of Education timely and I noted no significant deficiencies in the amounts reported.